

Executive Committee Meeting of March 24, 2020

- I. CALL TO ORDER at **12:07 PM**
 - II. ROLL CALL
Present: Daisy Maxion, Kabir Dhillon, Melissa Baron, Siddharth Valecha, Riley Miller, Martin Castillo.

Late: Bronte Kuehnis.
 - III. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion to approve the agenda of March 24, 2020 by **K. Dhillon**, second by **M. Baron**, motion **CARRIED.**
 - IV. ACTION ITEM - **Approval of the Minutes of February 19, 2020**
Motion to approve the minutes of February 19, 2020 by **S. Valecha**, second by **K. Dhillon**, motion **CARRIED.**
 - V. PUBLIC COMMENT – **Public Comment is intended as a time for any member of the public to address the board on any issues affecting ASI and/or the California State University, East Bay.**
No public comment.
 - VI. UNFINISHED ITEMS:
No unfinished items.
- 1:43**
- VII. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:
 - A. Discussion Item: **COVID19 Adjustments**
The Executive Committee will be discussing the recent events with the COVID19 and its effect for the rest of the semester.
D. Maxion states that in order for K. Dhillon and her to complete the adjustments, it would be best to bring it up for discussion. At the moment, it is a challenge to hold office hours with the current pandemic. The purpose of the government continuity task is to promote weekly assignments to make sure everyone is held accountable for their positions. Disclaimer: If these tasks are not complete or communicated, it will be brought up to the Personnel Committee under Code of Conduct Section 1.6 Responsibilities and Expectations.



Considering all the task we are delegating; we have a good amount of task completed during the first week. **K. Dhillon** states that we are assigning task to everyone. Yesterday, we looked over the task that have been completed, however, we are still missing a few tasks, and some are still in progress. **D. Maxion** states that more task will be created for this following week and some deadlines will be extended. Does anyone have any questions or concerns regarding COVID 19? **K. Dhillon** states that most students would just want information on the decisions our campus make. Many students feel as if the University is not giving out as much information. We should be in constant communication with students in order to voice their concerns and give them brief updates. **D. Maxion** states that she agrees. Recently, I had a meeting with President Morishita, which consisted of refunding back tuition and parking permits, construction, referendum, and ceremonies. I did voice the concerns of students, which I hope it helps administration reach out to its students more and be more transparent. I know in regard to parking permits; students will get a prorated portion back to students. President Morishita is interested in doing weekly videos to help keep everyone updated with campus news. **E. Pinlac** states that regarding ASI full-time staff, we have decided to meet everyday at 10:00 AM for thirty minutes. We have been trying to catch up with our work, however, at times we realize that some task cannot be completed from home. This afternoon, we're having a meeting with SALT to discuss reimbursement of fees, I'm not sure if that includes ASI fees. However, that would be a factor when looking into our budget and I would have an update after my meeting. **D. Maxion** states that it would be perfect, due to some students asking if they can receive refunds for certain resources they can't use anymore. I also spoke to President Morishita about this topic, which he is not in favor of providing refunds for fees. **M. Baron** states if he mentioned why he isn't in favor. **D. Maxion** states that 85% of fees are for wages and operating budgets. **E. Pinlac** states that the bonds that were established to build the buildings like the RAW and the New Union are required for all students to pay the fees. Regardless if you were all online students, you would still be required to pay this fee. **D. Maxion** states that it would not make students comfortable knowing they're paying for certain fees when they are not able to use certain resources. For example, despite not everyone being able to go to the health center, counselors are being provided through zoom. **M. Baron** states that other campuses have renegotiated refunds to its students. Many people might think East Bay might follow what other campuses might be doing. However, I agree with E. Pinlac due to those buildings being underwater. **M. Castillo** states that the video D. Maxion shared about San Jose State University has been helpful. In the video, it was stated that any fee that was part of tuition was not going to be refunded back because of Title V. I believe optional fees like parking and housing are being refunded and a statement will be made this afternoon. It would list options students have in order to



receive a refund back. It would be nice to give a daily reminder, but the more they hear student feedback, I think they would be inclined to share information.

12:15

B. Discussion Item: **Prop 13 Resolution**

The Executive Committee will be discussing a potential resolution for Prop 13.

D. Maxion states that D. Cuevas and our first-year mentee Naeemah Abdul-Karim started this proposition. **E. Pinlac** states if it passed. **D. Maxion** states that this resolution failed. **E. Pinlac** states that it would be weird to go back in history and try to pass something that already past. **D. Maxion** states that it can provide a historical context if it ever gets revised in the future.

15:00

C. Information Item: **Club Funding Update**

The Vice President of Finance, Melissa Baron, will be providing a club funding update.

M. Baron states that we put a hold on requesting money, which I don't think were going to fund anymore events for the semester. I sent out an email to all the students who have any recent or upcoming events for student club and organizations. My only concern is that there's a few events that were approved before everything got cancelled and purchased items for their events. I think it would beneficial to help those that already purchased events supplies, however, students will still need to turn in copies of the receipts. The receipts must show that items were purchased before the announcement. **E. Pinlac** states that we should work with student life to figure out what events were supposed to happen. If you could put a guideline to help students navigate if they qualify to receive funding back that would be great. **M. Castillo** states that if we can use some of the club funding to help give out scholarships to those students who have lost their jobs and put it in the guidelines. **M. Baron** states that she likes that idea and will take it up for consideration.

19:04

D. Discussion Item: **Resolution in Support of Land Acknowledgement**

The Executive Committee will be discussing a potential resolution in support of Land Acknowledgement.

D. Maxion states that Students for Quality Education are bringing forward this resolution. I'm collaborating with Lala, who is an organizer in SQE, to provide support for having land acknowledgement. California State University East Bay is on indigenous Ohlone land, which we should respect and put it in writing to acknowledge. **E. Pinlac** states that this is a good idea. When Michael and I went to the grand opening for the Stanislaus Student Union, the first thing the President did was to acknowledge the indigenous land. **K. Dhillon** states that when Fresno State host it's CSSA meetings, they donated money towards that native group while acknowledging their culture and arts. **E. Pinlac** states that the local native



American tribes that typically have casino's have one in San Bernardino, which provide a lot of funding. **D. Maxion** states that she is going to be working on this resolution with Lala this week. I think this resolution would be very meaningful, especially when it comes to doing something on the land. For instance, when we first broke ground during construction, ceremonies, or any major events.

22:08

E. Discussion Item: **ASI Budget Roll Up**

The Executive Committee will be discussing the ASI Budget Roll Up and initiatives due to the changes of COVID19.

M. Baron states that she is still working on the budget roll up. For instance, I'm trying to see where the funds can come for the COVID 19 budget, which we will discuss tomorrow. For now, the original numbers I wanted to pull are \$12,000.00 from club funding, \$4,700.00 from board initiative budget and \$4,000.00 from travel funding. **E. Pinlac** suggested that we shouldn't rely too much on these numbers due to the potential refunds. **E. Pinlac** states that as **M. Castillo** mention we are protected by the Title V and we might not have to do any reimbursement from us. I heard some great news from Michael, we might be able to recover all our expenses that went into Spring Mayhem. We are still paying for student and staff salaries, and the expenses that **M. Baron** are some that we have not looked into yet. There's also Concord and other committees that have not spent any money and won't be able to spend it this semester. I'm not sure how much money we are putting into the scholarship. It might be around \$30,000.00. **M. Baron** states that she was not sure if she can pull money from Programming, since it is not her area. **E. Pinlac** states that as a group, what do you want to put into the scholarship. **M. Baron** states that the funding she has gathered is about \$20,000.00. **E. Pinlac** states that the money would help out forty students, since the scholarship is \$500.00 each. **B. Kuehnis** states the only thing that board initiative budget would still fund is the college search item that all the senators are working on. **K. Dhillon** states that the college search, toiletries initiative and other sustainable supplies for next year are the only items. Providing scholarships for our students is where our money should go to next. **M. Baron** states that if we should order the shirts until next year? Due to not getting here until next year, it would be nice to have that already prepared. **K. Dhillon** states that it would be better to already be prepared for next year. **S. Valecha** states if **M. Baron** knows how much money we have left from programming. **M. Baron** states no, but she would have to ask **K. Disharoon**. **E. Pinlac** states that he sent **M. Baron** the amounts of what each committee has left. However, I would double check with **K. Disharoon** to see if there is anything pending. **D. Maxion** states that an updated amount would help us figure out how much we can provide with students. **B. Kuehnis** states that it's around \$1,600.00 for shirts and she's not sure how much **L. Vu** wanted to spend on toiletries. **M. Baron** states that she



will send everyone updated amounts soon. **D. Maxion** states if M. Baron could send it by today. **E. Pinlac** states that each scholarship that is created needs to have its own separate policies. **D. Maxion** states if E. Pinlac can send an example of the policy. **E. Pinlac** states that he sent one to M. Baron. **M. Baron** states the COVID 19 scholarship fund policy was a model of what E. Pinlac sent me.

30:10

F. Discussion Item: **Letter to Hayward City Council**

The Executive Committee will be discussing the potential endorsement letter to Hayward City Council.

D. Maxion states that this was brought to our attention by Y. Ortega-Huerta. Please look over the letter and let me know your thoughts. Is this something you all would like to move forward with and put our logo. **E. Pinlac** states if D. Maxion can go over the highlights. **D. Maxion** states it's an emergency response to COVID 19 for the city of Hayward's tenants. It's a moratorium that protects tenants from being evicted during these hard times. Many big advocacy groups are in support of endorsing this letter to Hayward. **M. Baron** states that if it's going to be rent free or would tenants have to pay the rent back. **D. Maxion** states that it would have a rent freeze. **B. Kuehnis** states if it addresses what happens after everything returns back to normal. **D. Maxion** states that tenants will not be penalized with late fees or immediately served with notices. **E. Pinlac** states that it also talks about if citizens were served with a notice before the state of emergency, they will not be kicked out. **D. Maxion** states that various students were left without work or reduced and are not being able to afford rent. This will help alleviate the burden that they now face. **K. Dhillon** states that he agrees with the letter, since it is important for our students living in Hayward.

Motion to extend the meeting for fifteen more minutes by **K. Dhillon**, second by **B. Kuehnis**, motion **CARRIED**.

B. Kuehnis states that she is leaning yes, though her only concern is that it's not enough. She can see students dealing with this factor of repaying the debt. **R. Miller** states that he is in support for it, however, I feel that there's outside factors to consider too like the landlords. **S. Valecha** states what outside factors? I got laid off at my job and the only source of income I have is my monthly stipend from ASI. If you go around the city, you will see almost all business except for essential are closed down. **R. Miller** states that by freezing everyone's rent, it would not benefit everyone. It should just be certain groups that meet requirements like being low-income or a student. My mom is a Safeway manager and she's telling me that they are currently hiring if anyone needs a job. I just feel like there's more factors than just a letter of support. **M. Baron** states that she agrees with R. Miller, since it's important to look at both sides. However, you do have to look at the business side who are also families.



It becomes like a domino effect when it comes to being affected by this issue, I believe the wording needs to be worked on more. For example, a two- or three-month grace period and hopefully pay it back. I would like to talk to Y. Ortega-Huerta as to why she wrote the letter the way she did. **D. Maxion** states that Y. Ortega-Huerta did not write the letter. Also, is M. Baron and S. Valecha for this letter? **M. Baron** states no. **S. Valecha** states yes. **E. Pinlac** states that we are only supporting this but not creating a resolution. We also don't know what's going to happen on a federal level, we just want to make sure people don't get evicted. **M. Baron** states that she is in support.

47:06

G. Discussion Item: **Resolution in Support of SB 1211**

The Executive Committee will be discussing the potential resolution in support of SB 1211. **K. Dhillon** states that this bill expands upon the California Promise Program. Which would expand upon SB 412 to require, commencing with the 2021–22 academic year, that at least 5% of each incoming class at each participating campus of the California State University be a participant in the California Promise program, and that at least 70% of those participating students be either low-income students, first-generation students, or students from communities that are underrepresented in postsecondary education. This bill is going to be done by Wednesday.

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H. Discussion Item: **Resolution in Support of AB 2972**

The Executive Committee will be discussing the potential resolution in support of AB 2972. **D. Maxion** states that this bill came from the idea of E. Pamela-Sanchez. Due to her experience of being a DACA student in the CSU system. This item was brought up to CSSA, who then collaborated with Assembly Member Limon in regard to making it a bill idea. It's going through the process to become a bill; it has also been expanded to UC's and Community Colleges. The bill states that faculty and staff will have to complete the training. **E. Pinlac** states that this is a way to have faculty and unionize staff to take the training.

51:05

I. Discussion Item: **Census 2020 Updates**

The Executive Committee will be discussing the Census 2020 Updates and the University and BOD/Senate initiatives in regards to it.

D. Maxion states that we are going to tackle this by posting online. One thing we have created was a raffle and ASI members have taken the time to promote it on social media. I



still need to reconvene with Eileen Barrett and Casey Farmer to figure out how we are going to count our housing residents due to having confusion as to where they should be counted at. **M. Castillo** states Sarah Nichols is meeting up with Eileen Barrett and Casey Farmer. to work together. I know you have a lot on your plate so they can help come up with an idea. **D. Maxion** states thank you. We also have many creative videos to post on social media.

52:57

VIII. SPECIAL REPORTS:

E. Pinlac states that we crossed over the 1,000 mark for our elections.

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IX. ROUND TABLE REMARKS

No round table remarks.

53:44

X. ADJOURNMENT at **1:01 PM**

